

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Richard I. Masel et al.  
Serial No.: 10/817,361  
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For: IMPROVED PALLADIUM-BASED  
ELECTROCATALYSTS AND FUEL  
CELLS EMPLOYING SUCH  
ELECTROCATALYSTS  
Art Unit: 1795  
Examiner: Wills, Monique M.

**AMENDMENT B**

Mail Stop Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed on October 20, 2008, Applicant provides the following amendments and remarks.

Applicant petitions the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks to extend the time for response to the Office Action dated October 20, 2008 for one month so that the period for response is extended to February 20, 2009.